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SUBJECT: IVORIAN SUPPLIER WISHES TO MARKET SNAKE VENOM IN US

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1. M. DOMINIQUE ROUMENT, MANAGER OF SIVA, SOCIETE  
IVOIREIENNE D'AGRICULTURE, B.P. 4294, ABIDJAN, HAS  
APPROACHED EMBASSY TO REQUEST ASSISTANCE IN CONTACTING  
SIGMA CHEMICAL CO., P.O. BOX 14508, ST. LOUIS, MO.  
63178, TEL. 314-771-5750, FOR PURPOSE OF SUPPLYING  
SIGMA WITH VENOM FROM WEST AFRICAN SNAKES.

2. M. ROUMENT IN POSSESSION OF AUGUST 1971 SIGMA  
CATALOG LISTING SNAKE VENOMS COMPANY MARKETS ON  
PAGE 310. SIVA WOULD LIKE TO SUPPLY SIGMA WITH  
FOLLOWING VENOMS AS LISTED:  
V4750 BITIS ARIETANS (PUFF ADDER)  
V4875 BITIS GABONICA  
V5125 BITIS NASICORNUS (RIVER JACK)  
V6750 CAUSUS RHOMBEATUS (RHOMBIC NIGHT ADDER)  
V7875 DENDRASPIS JAMESONII  
DENDRASPIS VIRIDIS (GREEN MAMBA)-NOT  
LISTED  
V8125 DISPHOLIDUS TYPUS (BOOM SLANG)  
V8250 DCHIS CARINATUS (SAW-SCALED VIPER)  
V9000 NAJA MELANOLEUCA (BLACK COBRA)  
V9500 NAJA NIGRICOLIS (SPITTING COBRA)

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3. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE IF COMMERCE COULD

DETERMINE WHETHER SIGMA CHEMICAL CO. IS INTERESTED  
IN S SUPPLIER OF THESE VENOMS.

4. SIVA, A NEW COMPANY, INCLUDES AMONG OTHER  
ACTIVITIES THE COLLECTION OF LOCAL SNAKE VENOM,  
WHICH IS PRESENTLY MARKETING IN EUROPE. COMPANY  
WOULD LIKE TO ENTER U.S. MARKET.

WTDR FOLLOWS.  
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